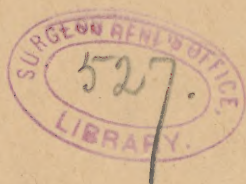


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A SPECIMEN OF DEFECTIVE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ABDOMINAL WALL AND EVEN- TRATION, CYLLOSOMA.

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WHEN defects of the abdominal wall are situated more to one side than another the corresponding lower limb is rudimentary or absent. The protrusion of abdominal contents, especially of the liver, on this side looks a little like the rudiment of the absent limb, as may be seen in the photographs, but a slight examination shows the true character of the tumor. The external genitals, the urethra, and the anus are commonly absent. In cyllosoma (Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire) the lateral eventration is on the left side in 72 per cent. of the cases (35 out of 48), and the vast majority of the infants are females.

The history of Dr. Leopold's patient accounts in no way for the deformity of the infant. The woman was a healthy primipara, twenty years of age, and there had been nothing noteworthy during pregnancy, except an occasional discharge of blood at the menstrual periods.



